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In re Application of :
Terry Howley : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 10/615,762 :
Filed: July 9, 2003 :
Title: FISHING ROD REST :

This is a decision on the PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed December 26, 2007.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned effective September 2, 2006¹ for failure to file a reply to the non-final Office action mailed June 1, 2006². A courtesy Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 29, 2006. By decision mailed October 26, 2007, the initial PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT:NON-FEE ISSUE filed July 17, 2007 was dismissed.

In response, applicant timely filed the instant petition to revive. The petition includes the statement of unintentional delay, as well as an explanation of the circumstances of the abandonment, and payment of the petition fee. The reply required to revive the application in the form of an amendment

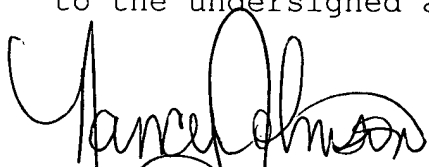
¹ A letter dated May 25, 2006 was filed on August 24, 2006 but it was not responsive to the Office action mailed June 1, 2006.

² The Office action was originally mailed on March 21, 2006. The Office action was returned to the Office by the withdrawn attorney. The Office action was then mailed to the sole inventor with a new period for response set.

was previously filed on August 13, 2007. No terminal disclaimer is required.

Technology Center AU 3643 has been advised of this decision. The application is, thereby, forwarded for consideration by the examiner of the amendment filed August 13, 2007.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.



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